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Unknown Object Strikes Vehicle along SR 3 Mason County

MASON COUNTY – Yesterday, October 17, 2006, during the evening commute along SR 3 near Mason Lake Road the state patrol received a report of an unknown object, possibly a bullet, which struck a vehicle. The driver continued to his Belfair residence where he reported the incident to the state patrol.

Responding troopers checked the area and did not locate anything out of the ordinary. Upon inspection of the involved vehicle, a one to two inch crease was located along the hood. The windshield was also shattered. The driver did not see or hear anything at the time the vehicle was struck.

Approximately nine minutes later, a Thurston County Sheriffs Deputy passing through the area received a cracked windshield by an unknown object. The deputy also didn't see or hear anything at the time his windshield was struck.

Troopers have notified local law enforcement, including Washington Fish and Wildlife of the incident. Troopers will continue to monitor the area for any further incidents. This is an isolated incident, *with no additional reports at this time*. Witnesses or property owners are encouraged to notify the state patrol.

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